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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I have been and will always be a huge Microsoft supporter. I believe that our technology industry would not have made the incredible leaps and bounds it has over the past decade if it hadn't been for Microsoft. Since the recent antitrust case settlement does not break up Microsoft, I am in complete favor of it and hope that it is finalized.

The terms of the settlement seem to benefit the competitors instead of the consumers. For instance, under the terms Microsoft has agreed to not retaliate against software or hardware developers who develop or promote software that competes with Windows. They have also agreed to document and disclose for use by its competitors various interfaces that are internal to Windows' operating system products.

The settlement, although flawed, serves the public interest, because the IT sector cannot afford to be hindered in its development any longer. Please support the settlement.

Sincerely,



Edward A. Grassi